Recruitment of Cameramen in Doordarshan

598. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:
SHRI N. E. BALARAM:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a shortage of Cameramen grade-II in all centres of Doordarshan;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps being taken to fill up the vacancies;

(d) whether Cameraman grade-I (Gazetted Staff) are proposed to be promoted to the post of Video executive;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the reasons for the delay in the process of promotions?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) and (b) Out of 493 posts of Cameraman Grade II sanctioned at various Doordarshan Kendras, 158 posts are vacant.

(c) The UPSC recommended 47 candidates, for appointment as Cameraman Grade II, in March, 1989. The Commission have called for a fresh requisition to fill-up the remaining vacancies.

(d) to (f) As per Recruitment Rules the posts of Video Executive are filled by promotion of eligible Cameramen Grade-I. All the eligible Cameramen Grade I have been promoted to the grade of Video Executive, the question of delay in making promotions to this grade does not arise.

Reduction in Level of Land Ceiling

599. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration for further reduction in the level of ceiling applicable to different categories of agricultural land since the surplus land declared till now is far below expectations; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) and (b) In the Revenue Ministers Conference held in 1985 the consensus arrived at was that the States may consider lowering of the ceiling limits from the level recommended in 1972 guidelines i.e. 4.5 to 7.28 hactares for irrigated area (Capable of growing to crops) 10.93 hactares for semi-irrigated areas (capable of growing one crop) 21.85 hactares for dry land areas to 5.0 hactares, 7.5 hactares and 12.0 hactares respectively. A few States/UTs already have ceilings on the level recommended or even lower. As regards the remaining States however, land being a State subject, the decision rests with them. Replies received from most of these State Governments show that reduction in the existing level of ceilings is generally not favoured.

Recruitment of Assistant Directors in BIS

600. SHRI M. KADHARSHA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Assistant Directors working in each of the office of the Bureau of Indian Standards as on 31.12.88;

(b) the number of Assistant Directors recruited and appointed in each of the office of the Bureau of Indian Standards during the current year;

(c) the details of the norms followed while deploying the newly recruited Assistant Directors to various offices of the Bureau; and

(d) the names of those who have been appointed at Delhi alongwith their ranking position among the candidates selected for appointment during the current year?